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Joy

"Let anyone who comes to you go away feeling better and happier. Every one should see goodness in your face, in your eyes, in your smile. Joy shows from the eyes. It appears when we speak and walk. It cannot be kept closed inside us. It reacts outside. Joy is very infectious."

- Mother Theresa



✠ Psalm 9:2-3 ✠

"I will praise you, LORD, with all my heart; I will declare all your wondrous deeds. I will delight and rejoice in you; I will sing hymns to your name, Most High."

NEW SEMINARIAN

Our CRHP community may soon boast a priest of it's members. Our very own David Keegan is off to seminary. He left us this past Wednesday, the 5th, headed for St. John Vianney College Seminary. David is on an incredible faith journey discerning his calling to the priesthood.

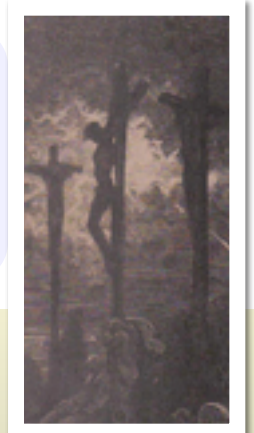


He was active in local pro-life activities, a core team member of the Emmaus Catholic Young Adult group, and a great many other things as well. Sometimes I find pics of him in places I wouldn't expect, like a procession in Macclenny! David is a spiritual role model for many of us and he is missed. Please join us in offering prayers on his behalf that the Lord will give him the grace and wisdom to confirm his vocation and follow it faithfully. - JRH

Sharing the Good News...

Ann & Hugh Fletcher celebrated 17 years of marriage this Summer!

Joe and Wendy Nelms, still happily married after 13 years!



"God is Love. We eventually have to ask ourselves the question; why was Love nailed to a cross?"

Pope John Paul II



CRHP Spotlight



PETER WOLF

Pete is a member of CRHP Team 9 along with David Keegan and myself (and ten other fantastic guys). We have fond memories of having him in our meetings. Between him and Coach Polster we found ourselves laughing uncontrollably more than once. He's a great guy and I was pleased to interview him for this month's CRHP Spotlight.

Pete first saw CRHP in the bulletin and he says he knew he needed it. "I knew I needed a community of men." It's hard to stay faithful and faith-filled alone. On top of that, his protestant friends said Catholics didn't have any community outside of Mass, so he set out to prove them wrong.

When asked what his favorite part of CRHP was, he said, "The formation meetings were my favorite part of CRHP. I loved sharing life lessons and building each other up spiritually."

One of the characteristics of his involvement in CRHP was his persistent tardiness. Lest you think he was slacking, let me assure you it was for all the right reasons. He was coaching basketball at Bishop Kenny and mentoring his team. We even had the privilege of watching one of his games before a meeting. He was great fun to watch.

Pete has accepted the challenge of CRHP to take what was given to him and pass it on to others, to serve as Christ did. He is now a FOCUS missionary to Seton Hall University in South Orange, New Jersey.

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The previous May a FOCUS missionary helped him build a firm foundation in Catholic apologetics. When the missionary invited him to be one as well, Pete turned it down. Once again, this past May, he was approached by yet another FOCUS missionary only to turn it down again. "I was getting settled into Jacksonville, I was enjoying my teaching and coaching job at BK, and I really liked Assumption and the community I had there."

"Then one day I was flipping channels on TV and ran into FOCUS again on EWTN's Life on the Rock. They said they needed strong men." Pete says he thought of the team theme when he coached at JU in '05, "If not us, then who?" He decided the Lord was calling him and he would obey.

As a FOCUS missionary Pete's mission field is the youth in college. Seton Hall in this case. He is responsible as a FOCUS missionary for 100% of his funding. In this economy, it's even harder than it sounds. He is looking for individuals and families to be Mission Partners and contribute \$25-\$250 per month. He also needs Anchor Partners who can give \$2500 per year.

As one of his Partners, you'll get a quarterly newsletter update, and he will pray for your intentions during his Holy Hour each day. The biggest reward will be helping a man of the Lord impact the lives of countless young people as they journey through one of the most spiritually treacherous times in their lives. I can't think of anyone better to do it. God bless you, Pete. We support you!

- Interviewed by Jeff Hachtel.

Prayer Requests

- For a successful, safe, & healthy school year for all students, faculty, & Families.
- For Katie McGregor
- For the Men & Women of CRHP Team 10 as they continue their faith journey & prepare for the next retreat.
- For the continued success of the Kanzius Cancer Machine currently in human trials & and for it's approval to begin use in hospitals.
- For all our parishioners suffering from illness or family downturn due to our current economic condition.

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